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Applicants : Chaudhari et al. Examiner: Oh, Taylor V.
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CARBOXYLIC ACIDS
Customer No. : 21003

RESPONSE

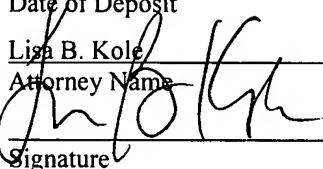
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 10, 2005, please
consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition
to Extend Time for a period of three months, up to and including August 10, 2005,
together with the appropriate fee for a small entity. An amendment to the specification is
set forth at page 2 of this response, and amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this
response.